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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director (Research)

SUBJECT: Meeting of the Agency Research & Development  
Review Board

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1. The first meeting of the Agency Research & Development Review Board was held at NPIC on 27 June. Prior to the meeting discussions were held with [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] who is to be the Chairman of the DCI's Scientific Advisory Board. Those attending the discussion were the following: [REDACTED] C/TSD, [REDACTED] Deputy Chief/TSD, 25X1A9a [REDACTED] Director of Communications, [REDACTED] AD/SI, 25X1A9a and Mr. Kirkpatrick, Executive Director. Following a lunch in the Executive dining room, the group traveled to NPIC. [REDACTED] accompanied M r. McCone on the trip.

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2. In opening the discussion at NPIC, Mr. McCone indicated his desires to improve utilization of science in Agency affairs. He discussed his experience in AEC and expressed satisfaction with his being able to interest [REDACTED] in undertaking this service for the Agency. [REDACTED] will be visiting the Agency at frequent intervals in the next few weeks in order to learn of the areas in which scientific activities are underway and in order to determine the membership of this Advisory Board. Mr. McCone expects this Advisory Board to provide considerable direction for all Agency technical undertakings. He indicated that there will be a designated fulltime staff. The implication was that this would be a rather small staff, possibly of no more than one or two individuals, to provide support to the Scientific Advisory Board in their deliberations. Mr. McCone also indicated that the DD/R will be the prime contact for [REDACTED] (Presumably, the fulltime staff would come from DD/R.)

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3. Mr. McCone stated that there would be a general committee that would be dealing with basic research but that compartmentation would exist in the Advisory Board in order that special projects might receive close scrutiny. The DCI took particular pains to show again his intention of placing emphasis upon the entire scientific effort of the Agency.

4. There followed a briefing by members of NPIC on all of the research and development items of that organization. Published material is being forwarded and will not be reported here.

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